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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] CIA Member, IHC
THROUGH: [REDACTED], DDI Member, IP Board *AB*
SUBJECT: Content Control Code

1. Attached are three copies of a CRS paper on the Content Control Code in response to [REDACTED] request for CRS views on Item 6 of the IHC agenda for the meeting of 24 June. This item concerns NSA's 9 June memorandum (Serial: N 0569), and it makes recommendations on the Content Control Code for IHC consideration.

2. Paragraph 4 of NSA's paper contains three recommendations:

- a. Immediate release by CIA of its CCC test findings.

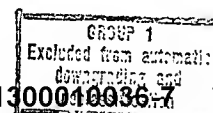
The attached paper is a response.

- b. Reactivate OPTEG for an inter-Agency evaluation of CCC.

CRS does not have resources to participate at this time in additional evaluations of CCC beyond those described in Paragraph 4 of the attached paper. CRS would, however, welcome the assignment of qualified personnel by other IHC members to participate in any of the studies listed. (Observers are not welcome; working participants are most welcome.) CRS suggests that such participation might be more effective than the establishment of a new committee which would have an uncertain path to a very general goal.

- c. Select one target complex, e.g., Cuba, for CCC coding of all related intelligence targets...


The attached CRS paper makes it very clear that CRS believes that the CCC or a similar device is essential to early, efficient and economical machine-assisted dissemination and possibly to the beginning

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in CRS of machine-assisted indexing in CRS. CRS supports, consequently, use of CCC by other reporting facilities. CRS would, however, prefer a country in which there is presently U.S. representation and a broader band of reporting facilities than now in Cuba. CRS also notes that there are a vast array of steps between initiation of the use of the CCC by a field post and CRS ability to test the validity and utility of the CCC for dissemination of indexing. Even a "cameo" test, consequently, will be time-consuming and expensive, and it will not be possible to initiate such a test in the very near future.

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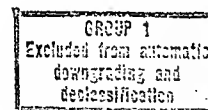
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THE CONTENT CONTROL CODE
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